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The mayor was then discharged. The petition was based on the contention that there was no evidence to warrant holding the mayor.

houlds of vessels would be at the mercy of radium rays, which could explode them at a long distance.

lated yesterday, says that sixteen persons were killed in that district and that seventy people are missing. Okahanja reports that sixteen persons have been murdered and that seventy people are missing.



## Japan Levies First War Tax

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## Russia's Forthcoming Reply Will Probably Be Her Final Answer.

(London, Jan. 28.—The Times this morning publishes the following from its Tokyo correspondent: "The government has decided to impose a war tax by doubling the land income tax thereby obtaining an additional revenue of 44,000,000 yen (\$22,000,000)."

(Paris, Jan. 28.—The Korean minister to France, Min Yeung Tchan, says in an interview it is quite possible that Korea's passive neutrality might come to an armed neutrality. Asked whether Korea would accept a Japanese protectorate, the minister replied: "My country will not accept with equanimity anything but respect; for the present she has declared her neutrality and absolute independence."

According to the correspondent of the Daily Mail at Chee Foo everything points to an impending Japanese coup in Korea, for which both military and naval preparations are being made.

The correspondents of the Times in the principal towns of Russia report active preparations and the belief that the Russian government is preparing to meet the Japanese challenge.

The St. Petersburg correspondent of the Paris edition of the New York Herald has telegraphed an extraordinary story to the effect that Germany and Denmark have reached an understanding under the terms of which in the event of Great Britain fighting with Japan against Russia, Germany would amicably occupy Copenhagen with a view to the effecting of a peace treaty and preventing the Russians from leaving or the British from entering that port.

(Berlin, Jan. 27.—The Paris correspondent of the Berliner Tageblatt claims authority to say that the forthcoming note to Japan will be Russia's last word in the matter; that it will be categorical and declare Russia cannot make further concessions than those contained in the note in question. The correspondent says also that Russia is particularly opposed to the fortification of Massanaga.

## PHILIPPINE CURRENCY.

(Manila, Jan. 27.—The act for maintaining the parity of the currency has been passed. It provides for the purchase of Mexican silver coin as bullion and imposes a tax on all contracts made in devalued currency after October 1, 1901.

## MALEVOLENT INGENUITY.

German Patents Machine to Keep Tabs on the Light Men.

(Berlin, Jan. 27.—A patent has been taken out here for a machine for calculating machine and automatic press which, it is predicted, will render disputes between the consumers of gas, water and electricity and the companies or municipalities supplying them, quite unnecessary, and perhaps impossible, by the use of this machine a consumer can ascertain the amount of his bill at any time, for, by simply turning a lever, he receives a card upon which is printed the amount he owes.

## THE FLOODED DISTRICTS.

Attempts to be Made to Dynamite Ice Gorge in Rivers.

Wilkesbarre, Pa., Jan. 27.—The situation at Wilkesbarre is not improved today, the flood in the Susquehanna River having receded but a few inches. The relief committees have secured quarters for all the homeless, and they are being clothed and fed. Efforts will be made to secure the great ice gorge at dynamiting it. There has been no attempt to estimate the loss, but it grows greater every day. Railway traffic is still suspended in the flooded district.

Jeffersonville, Ind., Jan. 27.—Three miles of coal barges, fifty-seven in number, belonging to the Monongahela River Consolidated Coal Company and loaded with coal, are grounding and going to pieces six miles from here. Another shipment is sinking at Hoffman Landing. Two hundred men are at work trying to save them. It is estimated the loss will be \$500,000. Ice in the river caused the damage.

## PLUNGED INTO AN EMPTY BATH

## Nephew of Major Boulton of Vancouver Meets With a Fatal Accident.

From Our Own Correspondent.

(Vancouver, Jan. 27.—P. B. Boulton, a bank clerk, was killed by plunging into the Multnomah Club's swimming bath at Portland, when the water was drained out, fracturing his skull. He was a nephew of Major Boulton of this city. The accident took place Tuesday and he died today.

John Jacobs undertook to pry a bolt on a pulley in the Hastings shingle mill tonight, when the pulley was in motion. He used a stick and the stick was jerked out of his hands and he was struck a violent blow in the stomach, causing injuries which it is said will prove fatal.

The Maritime Province Association, who are nearly 500 strong in membership, have appointed a committee to inquire into the different transportation companies regarding rates for a monster home-going excursion next spring.

In the case of Yondell versus Tingley for the recovery of \$2,000 commissions, Justice Irving has decided that defendant must pay the full amount to plaintiff. Plaintiff swore it was agreed between himself and defendant that he should get all the money in excess of \$15,000 for a farm he had sold. Defendant swore there was no such agreement. Plaintiff sold the farm for \$17,000. Justice Irving said there was an understanding as stated by the plaintiff.

The new Orange Lodge, the fifth in the city, will meet probably a week from Friday for the first time. A sixth lodge is talked of.

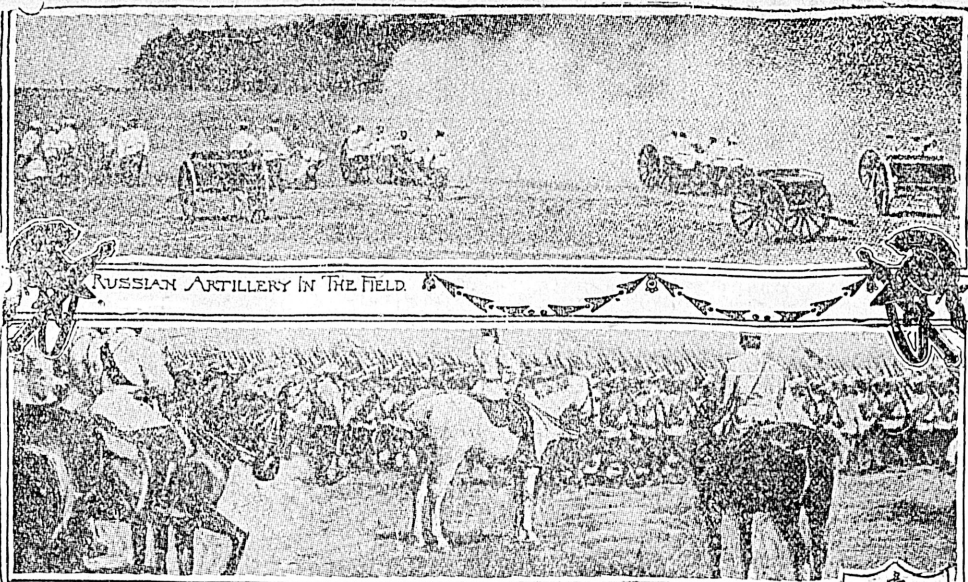
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## Recent Manoeuvres of the Russian Army



A MARCH PAST OF RUSSIAN INFANTRY BEFORE THE TSAR.

## WRIGHT'S DEATH WAS DUE TO POISON

## Physicians Declare Dead Pro- moter Must Have Suffered Great Agony.

(London, Jan. 27.—At the postmortem examination of the body of William Wright, his features showed no trace of the suffering he must have endured prior to death. His brain was found to have been abnormally large, and as the examination proceeded, the doctors found evidences of cyanide of potassium, which confirmed their previous impression of the cause of death. Portions of the deadly tablets, still undissolved, were found in the stomach. Wright had evidently swallowed several of them. The report that a revolver had been found on this person has been confirmed. The weapon was in his hip pocket and was fully loaded, and bore evidence of his strong determination to end his life. It is now supposed that Wright's ostentatious consumption of tablets for indigestion and insomnia during the last days of the trial was designed as a disguise in case of necessity for the taking of the fatal dose.

According to the doctors, the dead man prolonged his agony by taking too many of the cyanide of potassium tablets, as a smaller dose would have brought death sooner. With the consent of the home secretary, Wright's body will be handed over to his relatives after the inquest, for private burial at Whitby, his home in Surrey.

## RESURRECTING TROUBLE.

Belgrade, Serbia, Jan. 27.—Sanaoff's Macedonian agents have proclaimed a fresh revolution for March 28th.

## MRS. KETCHUM DEAD.

Authoress of Deathless Confederacy War Song Passes Away.

New York, Jan. 27.—Mrs. Anna Chambers Ketchum, author of "The Bonnie Blue Flag," one of the most famous war songs of the Confederacy, as well as of many other poems, died in St. Vincent hospital after less than a week's illness, in her 80th year. She had been preparing a book on her life-long friend, the actress, Charlotte Cushman. Mrs. Ketchum came of a long line of distinguished Virginians and Kentucky ancestry.

## POOL KILLER RAMPANT.

Another Automobile Scorching Kills One and Injures Three.

Nice, Jan. 27.—Miss Lathorn, an American, aged 35, who has been staying at Cannes, was killed and three other persons were injured in an automobile accident today. The automobile was driven by a Frenchman, an American, the owner of the car; Mr. Allen, also an American, Mrs. Ethel and Miss Radnor. The machine was being driven at a high speed along the road, when it collided with a cart. Mrs. Ethel was seriously hurt and Mr. Allen and Mr. Mellor were cut and bruised.

## RAILROAD WRECK.

News Agent's Timely Cry Saves Lives of Many Passengers.

Diase, Ark., Jan. 27.—A southbound passenger train, the St. Louis & Iron Mountain road ran into the White River branch passenger train at Diase, near Newport, Ark., injuring eight persons, several of them fatally. The branch train had just pulled into the main line and was being backed up. The main train struck it and ploughed entirely through the two coaches. That there was no great loss of life was due to the fact that Joe Pennington, the news agent, saw the approaching St. Louis train, and ran through the coaches warning the passengers to jump for their lives. The wrecked cars took fire and the flames communicated to the coal chute, which burned with them.

## FATALITIES YESTERDAY.

Two Men Found Frozen to Death in Eastern Canada.

Port Harcourt, Ont., Jan. 27.—George Green, hardware merchant, 55 years old, was found frozen to death in his store at International Falls yesterday.

Liverpool, N. S., Jan. 27.—Arthur and William Wharton, Beach Meadows, have been drowned while overhauling lobster traps by the upsetting of a dory during a heavy squall which struck the shore.

Toronto, Jan. 27.—Robert Ozenham, an employee of the Townsend steam laundry, was drowned by death by the elevator yesterday afternoon.

Brookville, Ont., Jan. 27.—Edward Green, a farmer, was found in a ditch near here yesterday, frozen to death.

Little Britain, Ont., Jan. 27.—Joseph Dand, a respected and well-to-do farmer, living about five miles from here, was killed by a load of grain falling on him yesterday.

ROYAL  
GOVERNMENT  
OFFICE, SEOUL, KOREA.

## THE FATHERLAND GREETES ITS KAISER

## Festivities Throughout Germany in Honor of the Emperor's Birthday.

Berlin, Jan. 27.—A great crowd gathered in front of the palace this morning both to salute Emperor William on his birthday and get good places from which to see the members of the royal family and court and other officials and offer their congratulations to His Majesty. The latter, surrounded by generals, appeared before a window overlooking the square and acknowledged the acclamations. Later, good wishes were tendered by members of the family and their suites, the cabinet ministers and the heads of the army and navy, visiting kings and princes and the am-



EMPEROR WILLIAM

bassadors. The Emperor received callers in the pill hall until midnight. At the Reichstag dinner tonight, in honor of the Emperor's birthday, Count von Ballestrem, president of the Reichstag, related a recent conversation between himself and Emperor William, during which, in response to Count Ballestrem's reference to the Emperor having met the Czar during his recent illness, His Majesty said: "In case of there being anything serious the matter with me, I wished to leave my son in agreeable and neighborly relations."

Continuing, Count Ballestrem said that when Emperor William received him at the opening of the session of the Reich-

## LIBERAL CANDIDATE.

Ridgetown, Ont., Jan. 27.—East Kent Liberals have nominated D. A. Gordon, Wallaceburg, as a candidate for the House of Commons.

## A FUEL FAMINE.

Hesliger, Ont., Jan. 27.—Owing to the tie-up of freight transportation as a result of the severe snow storms, a fuel famine prevails here and all branches of the Canadian woolen mills have been obliged to close, throwing many textile workers out of employment. Other industries of the town will be in a similar predicament unless fuel arrives shortly. Local retail coal dealers also are out of supplies, which makes the situation very serious. Several industries at Preston have also been forced to close down from the same cause.

An Englishman, visiting Lake Tahoe, asked a native if there was any good fishing in the lake.

"Oh, yes, stranger."

"What kind of fish do you catch here?"

"Oh, all kinds, stranger."

"What is the weight of the largest fish you ever caught?"

"Well, stranger, we don't take weighing machines when we go fishing, and I am an honest man and wouldn't like to say how much that last trout I caught would weigh. But I tell you, stranger, that when I pulled that fish out of the water, the lake went down a foot."—Birmingham Post.

## BURNS' CELEBRATION AT MOUNT SICKER

## Enthusiastic Gathering at the Brenton House Concert For Anniversary.

Mount Sicker, Jan. 26.—Last evening at the Brenton House here the celebration of the birth of the Scottish poet, Burns, was made the occasion of a very interesting and well-attended gathering. The affair was in the shape of a dinner, followed by toasts and a general social and musical time. After the health of His Majesty had been duly honored by the chairman, Mr. McKay, proposed "To the Burns," and coupled with it, the name of Burns, and expressed great hope for the prosperity of Mount Sicker and Duncans. The next toast was, "The Prosperity of Mount Sicker," and Dr. Hans gave a recitation of "The Burns." The social doctor responded therewith. The social doctor responded, and said he pinned his faith in the future of Mount Sicker. D. Smiley sang "Annie Laurie," and G. Campbell gave a selection on the mouth organ, and P. B. Stewart gave "The Hunting Day." The next toast was "The Ladies," and Messrs. Henegar and G. McFarish were named and asked to respond. Both seemed equally convinced that on no spot on earth were the ladies more sociable or courteous than the fair sex located at Mount Sicker. J. Graham gave a recitation, E. Gums sang, D. McPherson a song, "On the Banks of the Clyde"; R. McDonald recited, "A Man's a Man for the Thatch"; Dr. Hans sang, "Bonnie of Bonnie Dundee"; J. Graham sang; J. McPherson sang; D. Smiley sang, "Johnnie Brown"; D. McPherson sang; R. McDonald sang; Mr. McDonald, of Croydon, recited.

J. Campbell, of Duncans, then proposed the toast, "Canada and the Maple Leaf Forever," which was heartily sung by all. "The President of the United States," was the next toast, and was responded to by "The Success of Duncans," followed, and J. Campbell responded. G. Jones then sang, as did also D. Smiley. The chairman then proposed the "Wooded Trade," and the festive Federation of Miners, to which toasts Dr. Hans and Mr. Henegar responded.

On the motion of D. Smiley a unanimous resolution of condolence was voted to Mr. Thomas Stullins in his terrible bereavement through the foundering of the ill-fated steamer Clallam, whereby he lost both wife and children.

Toasts to the chairman and host, followed by selections by D. McPherson, J. Graham, P. B. Stewart, Mr. McKay and the singing of "Auld Lang Syne" brought a most successful and enjoyable evening to a close.

## NEWS OF NANAIMO CITY.

Conservatives to Elect Delegates to Attend Convention—Pioneer's Death.

Nanaimo, B. C., Jan. 27.—The local Conservatives meet here tomorrow night for the purpose of electing five delegates to attend the convention at Victoria on Monday next.

The death occurred at the local hospital yesterday of William K. Thompson, of Ladysmith, aged 43, who underwent a serious operation on Sunday. The deceased was an old resident here, having been born in England, and was a member of the Independent Order of Oddfellows and the Knights of Pythias. He leaves a widow.

Mrs. J. H. Cocking, wife of the president of the Board of Trade, received yesterday news that her mother, Mrs. Bindon, had died at her old home at Toronto the previous evening. Besides her daughter, Mrs. Cocking, a son of the deceased lady, Mr. Bindon, residing in Vancouver, resides in this province. Two other sons, Messrs. Hesley and Herbert Bindon, both well-known Dawson men, who are spending the winter in Ontario, also mourn her loss.

Sixty days under a barrel without food or water, and still very much alive, is the record of a Townsville hen, which belongs to Mr. B. E. Taylor. That gentleman lost the bird about the middle of November, and found it, a day or two ago under a barrel which had been accidentally turned over on it. The hen is now actively engaged in the scratching business again.

During the last few days a large number of boats have been driven out to sea when the tide goes out. Local stories of boats being lifted bodily out of the water by them lack confirmation at this time of writing. Still the sharks are bigger than in the memory of the oldest inhabitant, and all the destruction wrought by steamers killing them with their screws, by the hundreds of thousands of gulls which fill the air, and cover the water themselves at a distance, and the comparatively trifling quantities withdrawn by the nets of fishermen, who are working night and day capturing them for the canners and the halibut bait barrels, have no visible effect in diminishing the supply.

## Seventy Bodies Are Recovered

Work of Taking Dead From  
Pittsburg Mine Progresses  
Very Slowly.

## Estimated One Hundred And Seventy-Four Is Death's Total Harvest.

Pittsburg, Jan. 27.—Three days have elapsed since the catastrophe at the Allegheny mine, and tonight at midnight seventy-one bodies of those who met death as the result of the explosion had been brought to the surface.

The blackened bodies, as they were brought out, were loaded on sleds and carried to the schoolhouse, where the undertakers were ready to receive them. The Allegheny Coal Company, in an official statement, said all the men who were in the mine when the explosion occurred, are dead.

There are 171 names on the list, which does not include Selwyn Taylor, the two men who were fatally injured in the tipple, or Daniel Lysle, whose body was found in the mine this morning. He was one of the men who met death as the result of the explosion. He was found sitting with his back to the wall of one of the rooms. He had evidently been overcome by the afterdamp. C. L. Terry, secretary of the Allegheny Coal Company, says that it is possible that one or more of those included in the list of dead have escaped. The official number of the known dead comes up to 174, but some whose names have not yet been ascertained, may have gone in this list to work.

Tonight at the shaft mouth fires were built and groups of men were gathered there trying to keep warm. In the blacksmith shop, about one hundred feet from the scene of the work, the bodies of the dead were being recovered.

Chief Mine Inspector Roderick assumed charge at the mine this afternoon. After finding the body of Daniel Lysle, a searcher, and the report that another of the searchers is missing, is keeping down the number of volunteers, for the miners realize there is much danger in the mine. It is planned now to hold union funeral services for the victims on Sunday. The Catholics will be buried according to the rites of their church. St. Paul's Roman Catholic orphan asylum of this city has notified the Harwick authorities that that institution can take care of 200 children. The Pittsburg Humane Society is also ready to take care of the children.

The air in some parts of the mine is very hot, and it is now feared that the mine is on fire. If this proves to be the case the work of the searching party will be seriously interfered with. Late this afternoon the rescuers got into the north butt and found it full of bodies. It is the opinion of the party that this will include about all the victims, and it is believed now that most of the bodies will be out by tomorrow afternoon. One of the men who was below after the opening of this butt said that the bodies in it are not so badly burned as the others were, and that identification will be much easier.

Forty-three bodies had been taken out of the mine at 3:30 o'clock, and thirty of these had been prepared for burial by the undertakers.

At the shaft the temporary cage is kept in motion, for were it stopped the bitter cold would freeze it fast to the sides. The rescuers work in three-hour shifts recovering the bodies, under the direction of two inspectors. As yet no further inspections have been made. Three triple sets of rooms on the west side have been thoroughly explored, and there are still many more to enter. Tomorrow the burial work will begin. More caskets have been ordered, those here having been used today. The relief fund amounts to about \$5,000.

Pittsburg, Jan. 28.—At 2 o'clock this morning, it is said over eighty more bodies have been found. It is not yet known when they will be brought up.

## MANDATE TO GOVERN.

Toronto, Jan. 27.—Premier Ross, when interviewed regarding the result of the North Oxford election, declared he considered a mandate to go on governing the province.

## GOLF PLAYER SUICIDES.

Toronto, Jan. 27.—Thomas Lawlor, a well-known golf player, whose wife refused to live with him, attempted to shoot her tonight; then turned the weapon on himself, the first shot killing him.

## BORN.

JOYCE—At Fernie, on Jan. 18th, the wife of Richard Joyce, of a son.

ROBBINS—At Fernie, on Jan. 18th, the wife of W. O. Robbins, of a daughter.

TAYLOR—At Fernie, on Jan. 18th, the wife of A. Taylor, of a daughter.

THOMAS—At Ashcroft, on Friday, the 22nd inst., the wife of Mr. E. F. Thomas, of a son.

## MARRIED.

RIBLET—SMITH—At Nelson, on the 22nd inst., by the Rev. E. Holman, at the residence of the bride's parents, Royal N. Riblet, to Miss Mary Willison Smith.

## DIED.

WILSON—At Ashcroft, on January 25th, John Wilson, aged 70 years.

BUTLER—At Croydon, England, on the 8th inst., C. H. Butler, formerly of this city, son of Mr. H. Butler, South Croydon, England.

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Misses' Dongola and Box Calf Laced and Button Boots, double soles, sizes 11 to 2. Regular \$2.00 and \$2.25. Sale price .....\$1.50  
Boys' Standard Brand Screw bottom Laced Boots, sizes 1 to 5. Now \$1.50  
Youths' Standard Brand Laced Boots, screw bottom, sizes 11 to 13. Now .....\$1.25  
Boys' Good Strong Laced Boots, sizes 1 to 5.....90c.  
Men's Standard Brand Laced Boots, screw bottom, sizes 6 to 11. Now .....\$2.00  
Men's Box Calf Laced Boots, Goodyear Welt, double soles, stylish and good wearers. Regular \$3.00. Now .....\$2.75

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## THE TRANSVAAL RESENTS INTERFERENCE.

It is not surprising that the administration of the Transvaal Colony presents the attempt at interference by the Premiers of New Zealand and Australia with affairs in South Africa. As was mentioned in our despatches some weeks ago, Mr. Seddon, the Premier of New Zealand, invited Mr. Deakin, the Premier of the Australian Commonwealth, to join him in addressing the Transvaal Colony's Government and urging it not to decide to introduce Chinese into the Colony to work in the mines. They stated that the experience of the people in the British possessions in the Southern Hemisphere, had shown them the evils that arose from the immigration of Asiatic laborers in large numbers, and cautioned the Transvaal against repeating the mistake in South Africa that was made years ago in Australia. The Transvaal authorities practically told Messrs. Seddon and Deakin that it would be wiser for them to mind their own business and not interfere in that of others. Anyone who considers the situation for one minute will not be surprised at the attitude of the South African authorities, although it is difficult to understand how a statesman as capable and well informed as Mr. Deakin is, could have been induced by Mr. Seddon to put himself in such a position as he occupies from uniting with Mr. Seddon in attempting to interfere in the affairs of another Colony. It is true that the Transvaal Colony has not yet received the control of its own affairs as a self-governing Colony. But it is administered under the Crown by able officials appointed by the Imperial Government, and assisted by a council that has among its members some of the most prominent men in South Africa—men thoroughly informed as to the needs and condition of the country; with large pecuniary interests in it, and from their position and experience, well qualified to give advice as to what is the best course to pursue to secure a sufficient supply of labor in the mines.

Although Mr. Seddon possesses many excellent qualities, and is desirous of doing all in his power to consolidate the Empire, yet discretion cannot be considered as one of his characteristics. We are inclined to think that a little reflection would have led even Mr. Seddon to realize the imprudence of the action in which he asked Mr. Deakin to join him. We are aware that the administration of New Zealand, under Mr. Seddon's rule, has been as severely criticized for its extreme policy in some directions, as it has, on the other hand, been highly eulogized for its progressive and advanced popular methods. But we think that both the critics and the eulogists of Mr. Seddon's methods will be inclined to condemn his course in the matter we are considering. How would Mr. Seddon have felt had the premiers of Cape Colony and Natal united in a protest to Mr. Seddon against some of the radical features in his policy? Or what would have been his reply to Downing Street had they urged the Imperial Government to take steps to prevent his carrying out that policy? Yet this is what Mr. Seddon proposed to do. Mr. Seddon has been guilty of an attack on what has been the keystone of British security—local self-government. Any interference with that in any part of the Empire by governments or people of any other part of it, will assuredly cause trouble and be a means of disintegration rather than of consolidation. In Canada we have taken a very decided stand on this question of Asiatic immigration, and we should resent very strongly any suggestion from another dependency of the Empire that in the present situation in the Far East it was desirable, for Imperial interests, that we should relax our laws against the immigration of Chinese. Doubtless it is desirable that the Imperial authorities should show consideration for colonial feeling, but that should not go so far as to allow of one colony suggesting interference by the Imperial Government with the affairs of another colony, as Mr. Seddon has attempted to do in the case of the Transvaal.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR.

## THE HEINOUS CRIME.

Sir,—I should like to take some notice of James Kay's letter, about the little girl being whipped for laughing, "her risibilities being excited by a companion." When children's risibilities get beyond their control, a good whipping is probably the only effectual manner of keeping order in the class, and if a little more of it were done, especially in the boys' classes, there would be much better discipline and much less of the effrontery that the teacher has to put up with. If our young lady in this class will keep up a system of judicious slapping, her class will prosper.

## ORDER.

## SUMMER ATTRACTIONS.

Sir,—I am desirous of the Special Attraction Sub-committee of this Association, to allow you to be kind enough to allow us the use of your columns to solicit from your readers practical suggestions as to what attractions can be provided during the summer and winter, in order to keep our visitors a longer time in the city than they originally intended to stay.

The committee feels that no matter what the own ideas may be, that such suggestions would be extremely helpful to them and hopes that all who are interested will kindly forward such to the Association as soon as possible, so that they may be dealt with by the committee and be reported upon to the executive at an early date.

## HEBERT CUTHBERT, Secretary.

## THE INDIAN FRANCHISE.

Sir,—In your issue of January 15th, are notes on Mr. Clifford's bill now before the Provincial House. That part of it which would make the captain of a steamer on the day of election a returning officer, but when he proposes to disfranchise an Indian because his home is on an Indian reserve, I hereby most strongly protest. I am an admirer of Mr. Clifford, and rejoice in his being again returned to the Provincial House, but this is no party question, and I hope it will not be discussed as one when it comes before our legislators. If some of these Northern Indians were so rash as to vote against Mr. Clifford at the last election, that is no reason why all such in the province are to lose their franchise. This is not Russian nor do we live in the tenth century. The Premier of B. C., the late Hon. Mr. Smythe, who caused these Indians to be enfranchised. A deputation waited on him in Victoria, and he was so pleased with their general knowledge and fluent English that he thought they were worthy of the franchise. They came, I believe, under what is called "The Indian Advancement Act." These enfranchised Indians have passed through the Indian Department schools; they have broken with the potlatch and other tribal relations. They are loyal Canadians, native sons of the soil; some are ranch and school teachers, others mechanics, fishermen and hunters. They subscribe to our local newspapers. Why disfranchise them because they live on the reserve? They pay, indirectly, taxes and are genuine builders up of the country, and are a credit to it. In Mr. Clifford's constituency they cannot scatter and live on the soil. They live together in villages, just as the white are compelled to collect together. For their mutual advantage. Practically all that the Indian Department does for these people now is to give them a good education. This, I admit, is no small gift, but the province professes to do this for all her children. These Indians I am pleading for, have suffered, or their fathers did, for being loyal to the government and for having the potlatch. They have struggled on and upwards to intelligently appreciate our civilization. Why now put back the hand of the clock? Why now treat them as savages and say, "Go back to your heathen ranch? No, no, no, I say, rather give every male Indian eighteen years old a vote; when he has passed through our schools, and has understood our news-paper and has broken with the potlatch."

## VANCOUVER'S LATEST ENTERPRISE.

It is satisfactory to see that nearly all the towns in the Province are showing signs of improvement and progress. While Victoria has nearly completed the important undertaking of the James' Bay causeway and reclamation of the tide flats, Vancouver is about entering on an enterprise of a somewhat similar character, but on a larger scale. This is the utilization of the tide flats at the head of False Creek and such improvements in the latter waterway as will result in the creation of a large tidal basin with wharves and quays of a length sufficient to accommodate a fleet of steamers and other craft.

During the last few days the Mayor and some of the Aldermen and City officials of Vancouver have been in Victoria to appear before the Private Bill Committee of the Legislature, in order to give evidence in favor of a Bill now before the House. Two years ago the Dominion and Provincial Governments transferred to the City of Vancouver all their rights and title to the bed of False Creek, including the tide flats already mentioned. But to utilize this property

it is necessary that the City should be given the power to expropriate the littoral and foreshore rights of the owners of the land adjacent to the Creek. It is in the interest of these property owners, as well as in that of the City, that such legislation should be enacted, as without it no individual property owner could make the improvement in the navigation of the Creek that is necessary for its utilization as an important addition to Vancouver's dock and harbor facilities. What the owners of the lots adjacent to the shore of the Creek ask is that the City should be required to commence the improvements within a certain fixed period, and it is probable that the Legislature will declare that this is a reasonable and proper provision in any Act conferring on the City the powers of expropriation which it is seeking.

## THE FRASER RIVER DYKES.

We can easily understand the motives impelling the people of the dyked districts on the Fraser River to urge the Provincial Government to take some action in regard to these important works. No one who is conversant with all the facts connected with the construction of these dykes, and of their history since that time, will deny that some action by the Government is essential in the interests of one of the richest agricultural districts in British Columbia. Misfortunes, difficulties and complications have seemed to follow these enterprises from their inception. In some cases the estimated cost of the dykes has been largely exceeded. In others accidents have occurred that have entailed the expenditure of large sums for repairs. In still other instances additional drying works, or greater facilities for draining the land protected by the dykes, have been found necessary. The result has been the gradual increase of the outlays of money on the part of the Government for expenditures on works and maintenance and the payment of interest on the debentures that were guaranteed by it, until now these disbursements have reached a sum of more than one million dollars. At the same time the heavy arrears of interest and expenses which have accumulated against these lands, deter investors and settlers from having anything to do with them. The result is that hundreds and thousands of acres, such as the Pitt Meadows, of rich agricultural land lying within a few miles of two populous towns, are without cultivation, although the produce of every acre in these areas were they under cultivation, would find a profitable market in Vancouver and New Westminster.

The present Government is fully alive to the importance of this matter, and intends before the next session of the Legislature to prepare a scheme for the adjustment of all the questions involved, so that there may be nothing to prevent the utilization of the lands in the reclamation and protection of which so much has been expended.

## REINCARNATION.

Don't you remember that morn in May, (Was it five thousand years ago?) We sat by the sea as we sit today.

Only—the sea was blue, not grey, And the sands bent round like a bow.

And I think that you were a garment of white, (It's long ago that details are blurred), But I know it was filmy and soft and bright.

And dazzled my senses and stupored my sight— Shall I tell you what occurred?

Nay, you need not laugh. (Now just let me see—)

We were but girl and boy; And I fancy 'twas Greece—'tis no matter—

Were happier then than we ever will be In our modern civilized joy.

I remember your slim slken hand hung so, As I laid you down, and the wind blew (Let me take your glove off—only to show) 'Twas a flower, and my lips were twin bees, and so I bent—in this way—and kissed.

And you, you had never a word to say, So swift to your side I pressed; For I feared, O I feared some sea-god grey Would ravish the pearl of my heart away And I crushed you to my breast.

By Venus I claimed you—held you fast, And kissed you—as thus I do; We have lived and loved in the sacred Past.

And I meet you and greet you at last, at last.

O don't you remember, too.

I've crumpled your blouse, and I'm too absurd—

Nay, you wanted to be shown How I loved you once, and what occurred In the past—and now not another word—

—Here comes your chapereone.

—Victoria, B. C. Robert Service.

## MEN AND THINGS.

The visit of King Edward to the Kaiser is believed, will take place about the end of April.

The wedding of Princess Alice of Albany and Prince Alexander of Greece, which is to be identical with the date of the marriage of her late Majesty Queen Victoria.

Lady Minto, who recently returned to Ottawa after an enjoyable visit to Japan, has covered a good many thousands of miles since she took up her abode at Government House. Recently she and her husband made the journey from Ottawa to Montreal, a distance of 120 miles, in Canadian canoes. The party, which comprised eight persons, paddled by day and camped in the woods at night, the arrangements generally being of the simplest and least luxurious description.

Glass houses of a very substantial kind can now be built. Silesian glassmakers are turning out glass bricks for all sorts of building purposes.

A man in Tonopah, Nev., has built a house of beer bottles because lumber was too expensive, and it took 10,000 bottles to build the house. The man may be said to be living in the atmosphere of the past.

The temperance movement which began in Japan in 1874, a society of foreign residents of Yokohama, has grown until now there are 46 of these societies united in a national temperance league. The league represents 3,617 members. As a result of the bill which has been passed prohibiting the use of tobacco by children under 20 years of age.

A resident of Massachusetts has adapted a rifle to the use of cordite, which is the highest explosive used by the British navy. Fifty-two grains of cordite, the amount he puts in a rifle shell, is equal in force to nearly a pound of powder. It gives a muzzle velocity of 2,200 feet a second and a force which drives the bullet through eight feet of pine at 100 yards.

A discovery has been made in Egypt of an ancient papyrus that will put the hair restorers of today to shame. It is the recipe of a hair restorer made by King Cleopatra about 4,000 years ago, and was used on the downy queen, but whether successful or not the papyrus neglects to state. The ointment was made of dogs' paws, asses' hoofs and dates boiled in oil.

## THE MINES.

The Rossland Power Company's 200-ton concentrator, is in position, and it is thought that by April the crandling mill,

which will be the largest in Canada, will be in active operation. The forces at the War Eagle and Centre Star mines will be increased by 100 men.

White Bear and Spitzee mines are coming rapidly to the front. Excellent work is being done and arrangements for shipping ore about complete.

The Horseshoe, near Trout Lake City, is to begin shipping in the course of a few days. The ore is galena and carries from 150 to 200 ounces in silver. The Lucky Boy, adjoining, is under bond. Seven cars averaged \$150 to \$200 to the ton.

The output of copper ore is so great at Butte that in twelve hours 178 loaded cars were moved and the railroads are taxed to their utmost. The output is greater than ever before.

## PROVINCIAL PRESS.

Richard Marpole, general superintendent of the Pacific division of the C. P. R., spent a few days in the city this week looking over plans for an increase of the plant of the Nelson machine shops and for a new engine room at Kootenay Lake.

When seen by a reporter of the Tribune Mr. Marpole said that a quantity of machinery was on the road from Germany for the Nelson shops and when it arrived it would be possible to re-turn the wheels of locomotives and cars used in the Kootenays here.—Nelson Tribune.

A wedding, in which two of Fort Steele's most popular young people were united, took place at the residence of Mr. and Mrs. Sturgeon, in Nelson, on Wednesday evening, January 6th. On that date Mr. B. W. Verden and Miss Maggie McIntyre were united in marriage by the Rev. Father Althoff.—Fort Steele Prospector.

The pay for the three colliers given out last Saturday amounted to \$108.00, an increase of \$7.00 over the preceding week. The advent of winter has curtailed certain development work in the company's operations.—Fernie Free Press.

Mr. A. S. Rogers reached Ashcroft Tuesday noon from Barkerville, having driven down with his own team. He came in a sleigh to Mundorff's and says the sleighing is very good. He represents Barkerville at the Kamloops convention and holds proxies for the other five delegates selected from Barkerville. At the close of the Kamloops convention Mr. Rogers goes to Victoria where he will be present at the Conservative union. He usually spends the winters in the capital city, where he is one of the best known of Cariboo's enterprising mercantile men.—Ashcroft Journal.

The appointment of Rev. H. Beer, of Kaslo, to the position of archdeacon of the diocese of Kootenay has occasioned a good deal of dissension among local churchmen. This feeling is said to have culminated yesterday in the resignation of all the lay members of the executive committee of the Kootenay diocese. From the executive committee, however, it is connected it appears that Rev. W. A. Robbins, of Greenwood, was recommended for the position of archdeacon by the lay members of the executive committee. Bishop Dart ignored this recommendation and confirmed Rev. Beer in the appointment.—Nelson News.

Monday evening a wedding was solemnized at the residence of Patrick J. Dermody, the contracting parties being Christina Panch, daughter of Jas. Panch, ex-M. P. P., and Joseph J. Strutzel. The ceremony was performed according to the rites of the Roman Catholic church. Rev. Father J. A. Bedard, B. A., of the local church, officiating.—Phoenix Pioneer.

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## FINANCE AND COMMERCE.

New York, Jan. 27.—The lassitude which began to make itself manifest in yesterday's trading in stocks was still more evident today. The dealing fell in to times rather insignificant proportions and the movement of prices was narrow and irregular.

The dominant speculative party was rather quiescent. The rising points were attributed to operations by the bull party to sustain prices for lack of other explanation. The Pennsylvania group was conspicuous and the advancing tendency of the Gouss was called sympathetic on the assumption that a Gould-Cassatt harmonization was involved. The coalers were firm and the same time the other favorable trend reports. The speculative party based some of its hope of advancing prices on a conference in co-operation of the Rock Island party to further its bond issue. The Rock Islands shared in the day's strength so far as it went. Gains in some of the specialties were entirely without explanation. United States Steel preferred and Amalgamated copper were heavy, while the closing was firm, it was below the best.

The former tone of the time money market was again conspicuously in evidence today, and a renewal of the subversive transfers to New Orleans attracts attention in view of the customary check to the action of the reserves in New York which shows itself about the end of January. The firmness in time money has with easier tendency of money in foreign markets conducted to the decline in exchange rates. The feeling is growing that the period of abnormal easy money is not to be prolonged and better rates for time loans will result in the near future.

Bonds were dull and rather irregular. Total sales par value, \$3,415,000. United States bonds were unchanged on call.

New York, Jan. 27.—The following were the closing bids on the Stock Exchange today:

Amalgamated Copper	50 1/2
American Locomotive	22 1/2
American Locomotive pfd	80 1/2
American Sugar	130 1/2
American Smelting & Refining	21 1/2
American Car & Foundry	21 1/2
Anacostia Mining Co.	7 1/2
Atchafalaya, Tojoka & Santa Fe	70 1/2
Atchafalaya, Tojoka & Santa Fe pfd	92 1/2
Baltimore & Ohio	91 1/2
Baltimore & Ohio pfd	91 1/2
Brocklyn Rapid Transit	40 1/2
Brooklyn & Alton	30 1/2
Canadian Pacific Railway	108 1/2
Chesapeake & Ohio	30 1/2
Chicago, Milwaukee & St. Paul	140 1/2
Colorado Southern	18 1/2
Colorado Southern pfd	100 1/2
Consolidated Gas	105 1/2
Colorado Fuel & Iron	33 1/2
Corn Products	21 1/2
Delaware & Hudson	168 1/2
Denver & Rio Grande	27 1/2
Denver & Rio Grande pfd	74 1/2
Duluth, South Shore & Atlantic pfd	16 1/2
Kansas & Texas pfd	41 1/2
Manhattan Elevated	144 1/2
Missouri Pacific	94 1/2
Minn. St. P. & St. M.	60 1/2
Minneapolis & St. L. pfd	120 1/2
Metropolitan Traction	12 1/2
New York Central	121 1/2
Erle Railway	26 1/2
Erle Railway 1st pfd	68 1/2
Erle Railway 2nd pfd	24 1/2
New York, Ontario & Western	24 1/2
Norfolk & Western	62 1/2
Pacific Mail	20 1/2
Pennsylvania Railway	122 1/2
Pressed Steel pfd	72 1/2
People's Gas	102 1/2
Philadelphia & Reading	47 1/2
Rock Island	29 1/2
Southern Railway	82 1/2
Southern Pacific	27 1/2
Twin City	94 1/2
United States Leather	7 1/2
United States Steel	11 1/2
United States Steel pfd	58 1/2
United States Rubber	14 1/2
United States Rubber pfd	35 1/2
Union Pacific	81 1/2
Wabash Railway	21 1/2
Wabash Railway pfd	30 1/2
Western Union	60 1/2
Wisconsin Central	21 1/2
Wisconsin Central pfd	47 1/2
American Ice Co.	8 1/2
C. P. R. in London	122 1/2
Commercial Cable	101 1/2

New York, Jan. 27.—Pig iron, quiet; copper, quiet at \$12.62 1/2 to \$12.87 1/2; lead, firm at \$4.60; tin, quiet; straits, \$28.25 to \$28.50; plates, market quiet; spelter, easy; domestic, \$4.95 to \$5.05.

New York, Jan. 27.—Money on call, easy at 1 1/2 to 2 per cent; ruling rate, 1 1/2 per cent; last loan, 2 per cent; time loans, firmer; 90 days, 3 1/2 to 3 3/4 per cent; 60 days, 3 1/2 to 4 per cent; six months, 4 1/4 per cent.

New York, Jan. 27.—Prime mercantile paper, 4 1/2 to 5 1/4 per cent; sterling exchange, easier at \$1.85 to \$1.87 1/2 for 60 days; and at \$1.83 to \$1.85 for 90 days; posted rates, \$1.83 1/2 to \$1.84 and \$1.80 1/2; commercial bills, \$1.82 1/2; bar silver, 55 1/2; Mexican dollars, 47 1/2; government bonds, steady; railway bonds, irregular.

Chicago, Jan. 27.—The following were the closing prices of futures on the Board of Trade today: Wheat, May, 89 1/2 to 89 3/4; July, 87 1/2 to 87 3/4; Sept., 77 1/2 to 77 3/4; Corn, May, 49 1/2 to 49 3/4; July, 47 1/2 to 47 3/4; Oats, Jan., 39; May, 42 to 42 1/2; July, 37 1/2.

London, Jan. 27.—Lead, £11 11s 3d.

New York, Jan. 27.—Lead, \$1.50.

London, Jan. 27.—4 p.m.—Consols for money, 88; consols for account, 88.

Thirty-Fourth Annual Statement of the  
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Cash on hand	\$2,268,852.66	Capital paid up	\$3,000,000.00
Due from other Banks	1,675,098.25	Reserve	3,000,000.00
Dominion and Provincial Govt		Undivided Profits	192,705.36
and other Bonds and Stocks	4,411,929.37	Dividend No. 68, payable 1st	
Call Loans on Stocks and Bonds	2,467,047.27	February, 1904	115,117.58
Deposit with Dominion Govt for		Circulation	2,302,518.65
security of Note Circulation	101,441.69	Deposits	16,087,426.25
	\$10,922,751.61	Due to other Banks	407,919.31
Loans and Discounts	13,965,558.47		
Bank Premises, Safes and Office	278,473.31		
Furniture	\$25,106,736.85		
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Victoria and Vicinity: Light or moderate winds, generally fair and cool.

Lower Mainland: Light or moderate winds, generally fair and cool.

VICTORIA DAILY RECORD.

Report for 24 hours ending 5 p. m. Observations taken daily at 5 a. m., noon and 5 p. m.

5 a. m. 36 Mean 40  
Noon 43 Highest 46  
5 p. m. 42 Lowest 36

The velocity and direction of the wind were as follows and direction of the wind were as follows and direction of the wind were as follows

Barometer at noon—Observed.....30.598  
Corrected.....30.622

NEW WESTMINSTER.

Barometer at 5 p. m.—Corrected.....30.60

WEEKLY WEATHER SYNOPSIS.

Victoria Meteorological Office, January 28th to 30th, 1904.

The chief feature of the past week's weather has been the abnormally high barometric pressure both on the Pacific Slope and also the Canadian Northwest. On Saturday an ocean storm developed over the upper part of the province, its movements causing a moderate gale along the Straits of Fuca, but it quickly disappeared and during the remainder of the week the barometer gradually rose until on Tuesday it stood at 30.58 in this district. Precipitation has been above the average, and snow has been frequent on the Upper Mainland and at Barkerville and in the valley of the Thompson river and once or twice snow fell also on the Lower Mainland. With the exception of the gale on Saturday winds have been light to moderate. On the immediate coast temperatures have been mild, becoming lower inland on the American plateau district and also on our own Upper Mainland. At Dawson the weather during the first four days of the week was intensely cold with temperatures reaching 42 below zero, but it gradually moderated to the close of the week. No precipitation occurred and there was as usual an entire absence of wind. In the Northwest an intensely cold wave set in during the early part of the week, the minimum temperature reaching many degrees below zero. The weather was mostly fair with occasional light snow-fall.

At Victoria there were 8 hours and 30 minutes of bright sunshine; the highest temperature was 45.0 on 23rd, 24th, and 25th, 27.8 on the 20th; rainfall 0.33 inch. At New Westminster the highest temperature was 44 on the 23rd, and the lowest was on 20th; precipitation (rain and snow) 1.28 inches. At Kamloops highest temperature 34 on 24th; lowest, zero on 20th; snowfall 0.38 inch. At Barkerville highest temperature 30 on 20th; lowest, 14 below zero on 20th; snowfall 19 inches. At Dawson, highest temperature zero on 25th; lowest 42 below zero on 20th; no precipitation.

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J. A. JOHNSON, Master.

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Victoria, Jan. 15th, 1903.

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Notice is hereby given that Robert Martin of the city of Vancouver, B. C., will at the expiration of thirty days from the date hereof, apply to His Excellency the Governor-General in Council, for a grant of the foreshore rights in Port Simpson Harbor, in the Province of British Columbia, adjoining the east fractional half (1/2) of section three (3), township one (1), range five (5), in the Coast District of British Columbia, of which said lands the said Robert Martin is the registered owner. And notice is further given that the plans of the said foreshore have been deposited with the Public Works at Ottawa and with the Registrar of Deeds at Victoria, B. C., pursuant to the statute.

O. L. SPENCER.

Solicitor for Applicant.

Dated at Vancouver, B. C., 29th January, 1904.

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Notice is hereby given that in conformity with the conditions upon which the above-named debentures were issued, a drawing of the debentures to be paid off in part on the 1st of March next will take place at the company's office, Wharf street, Victoria, B. C., on Saturday, the 6th day of February, at 11 a. m.

The numbers of the drawn debentures will be duly advertised for the information of the holders thereof.

J. H. LAWSON.

Secretary.

Wharf Street, Victoria, Jan. 23rd, 1904.

In the Matter of the Will and Estate of Godfrey Kennel, Deceased.

Tenders will be received addressed to the Executors of the estate up to the 31st day of February, 1904, for the purchase of lot No. 61, Victoria City, with the 5 cottages thereon.

The property is situated on the southwest corner of Barclay and View streets opposite St. Andrew's Cathedral.

The highest or any tender not necessarily accepted.

Dated 12th January, 1904.

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Notice is hereby given that the partnership heretofore subsisting between us the undersigned, James Harris Erickson and William Walter Ely, both of the city of Victoria, carrying on business as The Edison Display Co., at the Edison Theatre at the city of Victoria, B. C., has this day been dissolved by mutual consent. The debts due to and owing by the said partnership will be received and paid by the said James Harris Erickson, who will in future carry on the business at the same address.

Dated this 14th day of January, 1904.

JAMES H. ERICKSON.

WILLIAM WALTER ELY.

Witnesses:

J. M. BRADBURN, Solicitor.

Victoria, B. C.

Notice is hereby given that I intend to apply at the next session of the Board of License Commissioners of the City of Victoria, for a transfer of the license now held by me to sell liquors by retail upon the premises known as the "Everett Exchange" Saloon, Esquimalt road, to Philip Crombie.

By his Attorney in Fact,

FRED MASON.

W. F. DICKSON.

Notice is hereby given that application will be made to the License Commissioners at the next sitting of their board for a transfer of the license issued in my name for the sale of spirituous or fermented liquors by retail at the Victoria Theatre buildings, Imperial Hotel, on View and Douglas streets, in the city of Victoria, to Jacob J. Schmidt, of the said city of Victoria.

Dated at Victoria, this 15th January, 1904.

JOHN H. GOSNELL.

Notice is hereby given that I intend to apply to the Board of Licensing Commissioners at their next sitting as a licensing court, for a transfer of my license for the sale of wines and liquors by retail, upon the premises situated on the north side of Johnson street, in the city of Victoria, and known as the International Hotel, to George Holder.

Dated this 13th day of January, 1904.

GEO. B. HOWARD.

NOTICE is hereby given that I intend to apply to the Licensing Commissioners at their next sitting for the transfer of the license now held by me, to George L. Jones, for the purpose of selling wines, spirits, beer, etc., on the premises known as the "Albion" Saloon, situated on the corner of Commercial and Yates streets, in this city.

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